



# Newsletter

## Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a great start to the new school term last week. The children demonstrated super conduct and learning behaviour and there was a lovely focused atmosphere around school. Well done everyone and keep up the good work for the rest of this term.

### Family Dinner Days

Our next round of Family Dinner Days begins this Friday with Year 6. All the dates and times are included in the diary dates section of this newsletter. Don't forget to book your meals by 9.15am on the dinner day you are intending. It's absolutely fine to bring along a packed lunch instead if you prefer.

### After School Clubs

After School Clubs will go "live" on Arbor on Wednesday this week and start on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. We are going to be a bit stricter about late joiners and absences this term, as when the group of children attending keeps changing it impacts on the progress being made, especially when children are developing and building on skills. As always, we do ask that parents let us know if children will not be attending a club for any reason to avoid staff looking for missing children and making phone calls to check on their safety.

### Brass Lessons

Our wonderful brass teacher, Mr Simon Lodge, is currently unwell and is likely to be off work for a while. The music service is looking for a replacement teacher, but until this is sorted, brass lessons will not be taking place. We will keep you updated as soon as we have more news. Thank you.

### Stars of the Week

Congratulations to our first stars of 2023 who are:

Orchard	Honest	Leo can accept and apologise when he has made a mistake,
Acorns	Honest	Billy Joe always tell the truth and chooses to do the right thing.
Birch	Honest	Lydia is open and honest about her learning which means she can both work independently and ask for adult support when she needs it.
Willow	Honest	Joshua understands why it is important to be honest. He always tells the truth and admits to any mistakes.
Holly	Enthusiastic	Sienna is an enthusiastic learner who always finishes her work and asks and answers lots of questions.
Chestnut	Enthusiastic	Dolcie is enthusiastic about every aspect of her learning and asks lots of questions to further her understanding.
Elm	Enthusiastic	Jake such a positive attitude towards his learning and loves discovering new information in all areas of the curriculum.
Ash	Enthusiastic	Indie is enthusiastic about all her learning and is keen to pass this positivity onto her classmates.
Oak	Enthusiastic	Noah is demonstrating a great attitude towards his learning and is completing his work to a high standard.

As you know, we place a very high priority on supporting children to become fluent, enthusiastic readers, but of course mathematical skills are also very important for continuing success in education and future employment. We have therefore decided to introduce a new maths award each fortnight. Our first ever maths stars are:

Acorns	Olivia always looks for opportunities to challenge herself in our maths lessons.
Birch	Ben's super attitude, increasing independence and resilience have enabled him to make really good progress in maths lessons.
Willow	Olivia has really impressed us this week with super money work.
Holly	Archie really enjoys his maths lessons and loves a challenge!
Chestnut	Oliver has impressed us all this week with his great maths skills.
Elm	Toby has demonstrated great resilience in staying focused all week until he grasped the tricky concepts being taught.
Ash	Harrison has worked so hard on our new unit about ratio and proportion. He has answered lots of questions and completed three pages of questions independently.
Oak	Archie absolutely excels in maths and rises to every challenge.

Kindest regards,

*Deborah Meredith*

<b>Dates for your Diary</b>	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January 23	Year 6 visit to Ashton Central Mosque
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> January 23	Year 6 Family Dinner Day: 12.30
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 23	After School Clubs begin today
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 23	Year 5 Family Dinner Day: 12.30
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 23	Year 5 Young Voices concert
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 23	Year 2 Flower arranging workshop in school
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 23	Year 3 visit to Poole's Cavern in Buxton
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 23	Year 4 Family Dinner Day: 12.30
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 23	Year 3 Family Dinner Day: 12.30
W/B Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 4 field trip to Manor Park (river study)
W/B Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parent Teacher meetings this week – No clubs this week
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 23</b>	<b>School closes for Spring half term holiday</b>
<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 23</b>	<b>School Opens for Spring Term 2</b>
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 23	Year 2 Family Dinner Day: 12.15
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Year 1 Family Dinner Day: 12.15
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Reception Family Dinner Day: 12.00

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 23	Acorns and Orchard trip to Hartley's Garden Centre and Pony Patch
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 23	Year 5 First Aid Training in school
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Year 2 trip to St. Anne's
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 23	Year 1 Bus Tour of Manchester
<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 23</b>	<b>School closes for Easter holiday</b>
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 23</b>	<b>School Opens for Summer Term 1</b>
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 23	Year 6 visit to Stockport Air Raid Shelters
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 23	Acorns and Orchard trip to Peak Wildlife Park
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 23	Year 3 visit to Heaton Park Synagogue
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 23</b>	<b>School closed – Bank Holiday</b>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 23	Year 5 Ancient Greece workshop in school
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 23	Year 6 SATS week
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 23	Year 4 Ancient Egypt workshop in school
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 23</b>	<b>School closes for Summer Half Term holiday</b>
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 23</b>	<b>School Opens for Summer Term 2</b>
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 23	Year 6 residential trip to Kingswood Centre in Penistone.
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 23	Reception Acorns trip to Formby Beach
June (tbc)	Year 4 "Come and Play with the Halle" concert in Manchester
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 trip to Skipton Castle
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 trip to "Crocky Trail"
July (tbc)	Year 5 trip to Alton Towers
July (tbc)	Year 1 Canal Boat Trip
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 23</b>	<b>School Closes for Summer Holiday</b>